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Financing Japanese Recovery

Washington, May 22.—A War and State Department spokesman today said General MacArthur is considering using Japan's \$130,000,000 gold reserve to further finance Nippon's industry recovery.

A representative of the War Department Civil Affairs division, directing Japan's international trade, said: "Funds may be used to finance selfliquidating enterprises such as the import of raw materials that can be exported in finished form to repay the advance."

The State Department spokesman declined to reveal details of the project. He said: "MacArthur has the authority to use these funds. The project is under discussion here and likely will be perfected shortly."

War Department Civil Affairs' officials are known to be vigorously seeking funds to finance further Japanese imports such as cotton.

Discussions regarding this financing are going on with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in Washington.

The Export-Import Bank is also considering financing a private corporation with a similar objective.—Associated Press.

Smuggling On K.C.R.

Canton, May 21.—The Ministry of Communications has requested the Kwangtung Provincial Government to cooperate with the board of the Canton-Hankow railway to suppress smuggling on the Canton-Kowloon Railway.

There has been a serious amount of rice smuggling on the latter railway during the past few months—the illegal activity being "smoothed" by the payment of bribes to railway personnel and engineers on the trains.

The Provincial Government has been instructed to appoint "proper persons" to curb the situation and is expected to take thorough and strict measures in the near future.—K.P.N.

American Plans For World Economy

Washington, May 20.—The top-policy planning committee of the State Department, in conjunction with other United States Government agencies, is interested in the problem of carrying out an exhaustive study of the whole economic and political situation in Europe, the Far East, the Middle East and Latin-America, the Secretary of State, General Marshall, disclosed today. He added that in the meantime he foresaw no further request to the United States Congress for relief or other aid programmes in the near future.

General Marshall, however, did not preclude the possibility of the United States making new and perhaps large-scale relief or other foreign economic contributions after the study was completed but he was not prepared at present to make a statement on what might develop in future.

Specifically, he refused to comment on the reports that the Administration should re-institute the multi-million dollar lend-lease programme for worldwide economic reconstruction.

He stressed that his planning committee was going into the world economic situation fully and attempting to achieve an overall view and an overall policy from it.

Aid For Korea. General Marshall said that the proposed aid for Korea would be requested of Congress shortly in the form of War Department appropriations for occupation costs.

He added that no decision had been taken on the granting of \$600,000,000 by the Export-Import Bank, earmarked for China. He disclosed that he had been trying the Chinese situation.

S'HALI. EXCITEMENT GOES ON Rival Student Groups At Loggerheads Big Demonstration For To-Day

Shanghai, May 22.—Brawls between students, and police attempts to break up student meetings kept excitement at a high pitch on college campuses throughout Shanghai today. Several students were reported injured, some seriously, in fights between striking and non-striking students. The "back to class" movement which gained momentum a few days ago was reported to have been abandoned after a clash between students and police at Nanking.

Two officials of the Student Association which has been agitating for the continuation of the student strike demonstrations were reported kidnapped by unidentified persons.

Forty-eight other members, allegedly on the black list, have gone into hiding for fear of violence.

At the National Chinese University, several non-strikers were injured seriously in a fight. The injured included 20 former members of the Youth Army, now students. When members of the 202nd Division of the Youth Army rushed to the campus to rescue the former soldiers, the gendarmes intervened.

Police Seized

Three Shanghai law college students were injured in a fracas which also was stopped by the police. Six students were arrested.

Armed police failed to break up student meetings at the Shanghai Medical College and the National Chiaotung University where the students proposed shifting the nationwide "End the Civil War" demonstration scheduled for June 2 to an earlier date.

At Tientsin two policemen were reported to have been seized as hostages by Nankai University students following the arrest of several classmate during the anti-civil war demonstrations.

All were released including the police. Several Peiping University students who had been arrested also were released.

At Peiping students of nine universities voted to extend the

IRGUN READY FOR TRUCE
Jerusalem, May 22.—Memahim, Belz, commander of the Jewish extremist organ Irqun LeZion, told the United Press in an exclusive written interview today that "soldiers of Zion" were prepared to call a truce in the Holy Land while the future of Palestine is being considered by the United Nations provided the truce was not a one-sided affair.—Associated Press.

British Spy Arrested By Soviet

London, May 21.—The Foreign Office says that it has "conclusive evidence" that Russian Secret Police arrested missing Reginald Barratt, Warrant Officer in the Royal Air Force more than two years ago.

The Foreign Office identified Barratt as a British spy who worked in German occupied Hungary.

Barratt is still missing. Mr. Bevin took the matter up with the Russian Foreign Minister, M. Molotov, receiving from Molotov what the Foreign Office calls an "unatisfactory" reply.—Associated Press.

SMITHFIELD STRIKE

London, May 22.—One thousand five hundred truck drivers struck suddenly at London's giant Smithfield Market today tying up meat deliveries for the whole city.

Market porters and handlers stood by without working in sympathy. Several thousand tons of meat were in the market. It will keep only about three days.

The drivers struck over the firing of two men by a hauling firm. If the strike continues all London's supplies of rationed meat will be badly affected with in four days.—United Press.

Peiping Incident

Peiping, May 22.—A gang of 40 persons smashed windows of the Peiping newspaper, Kuo Min Pao, and roughed up the editor and manager in what appeared to be the aftermath of the students anti-civil war demonstrations.

The paper, which is privately owned but has financial support of the Ministry of National Defense, gave prominence to the students strike and expressed sympathy to their demands for increased food allowances.

The Municipal Police, meanwhile, issued a proclamation prohibiting strikes, demonstrations and parades and said it would declare martial law in the event of further student labour trouble.—Associated Press.

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Labour M.P.'s In Squabble

London, May 21.—Labour MPs, in a private meeting in the House of Commons today, clashed in a two and a half hours' discussion over the position of "Labour rebels" such as the 78 who voted against Government on the issue of peace-time conscription.

Loyalists demanded the restoration of standing orders which would result in the expulsion of members flagrantly disobeying Party orders, but after heated debate this motion was defeated.

The meeting finally passed a resolution that on all trouble-some questions Labour M.P.s should hold a special meeting in advance, at which the pros and cons could be ventilated and, if possible, a general agreement reached. This compromise was offered by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Party leader.—United Press.

them in 1948 and 1949 through emergency loans and grants to finance the importation of those commodities they need, they may not be able to carry on the reconstruction that is necessary if they are to become self-sufficient.

In such an event, economic collapse, political extremism and world poverty and insecurity would quickly follow.—United Press.

Lovers' Death Ceremony

Paris, May 22.—A lock of hair from the head of each of the lovers burned to ashes and the ashes mixed with their blood is an ancient Indo-chinese vow affection.

The Paris Assize Court was told yesterday that the ceremony forced Nohyen Han to stab his pretty young mistress, Germaine Souillo.

Han said the trouble evolved from money shortage and the lovers could not separate because of the vow. It only remained for Scullot and Han to carry out the death ceremony which consisted of slashing each other in the stomach and then following through with the fatal stabbing.

The weird ordeal began with Scullot cutting Han who was soon covered with his own blood. He told the court he began lashing out at his mistress with a knife, stabbing her 16 times seven of which the court decided would have caused death.

Han said he became too weak to carry out the balance of the ceremony—death for himself. In response to the court question of why he did not complete the vow later, he said he had remembered the other ancient oriental obligation—that of informing one's parents before one took one's own life.

Han was sentenced to ten years in prison for voluntary confinement.—United Press.

TOO RESPECTABLE TO STRIKE?

London, May 21.—The Civil Service Clerical Association today passed by an overwhelming majority for submission to its National Executive Committee a resolution urging the adoption of a strike policy and the setting up of a strike fund. "In view of the unauthorised delay" in settling 18-months-old pay claims.

Mr. L. C. White, General Secretary of the Association to which most of workers in Government offices belong, said that if there was 100 per cent demand for a strike, he would lead it.

"But I believe that many of our established members are so respectable. In their outlook that they would not support taking strike action on a large scale," he concluded.—Reuter.

Roxas Plane Crashes On Mountain

Manila, May 22.—Lili Marlene was found today wrecked on a Mindanao mountainside and the 12 or more high Filipino Government officials and crew of seven aboard were feared dead.

The President was not aboard. Air searchers spurred by Roxas himself in one of the biggest air hunts found the unburned wreckage four days after the plane vanished.

Incorrectly charted maps, which show the towering Mount Katanglad in the wild Bukidnon plateau region of North Central Mindanao as 7,800 instead of its true height of 9,800 feet apparently brought about the disaster.

It was found at 8.30 p.m. smashed flat against the cloud-obscured northern slopes only 600 feet below the peak.

While ground searching parties were hastily organised under the personal direction of Gen. Rafael Jalandan, Chief of Staff of the Philippine Army, at Cagayan, air searchers could observe no trace of life near the wreckage.

Campbell, Ill., May 22.—Seven crew members and four high government officials were officially listed aboard the plane, but there was no indication to show the number of passengers.

In such an event, economic

RICE HITS A NEW HIGH

Shanghai, May 22.—Rice prices continued today to skyrocket to a new high at CN\$30,000 per picul as supplies failed to arrive from rice-producing areas.

Dealers said the authorities in the rice-producing areas prohibited the export and transport of rice because of increase of prices in those areas and the authorities were trying to bring them down.—Associated Press.

CHINA'S FOREIGN POLICY

SINO-BRITISH RELATIONS

Nanking, May 22.—China's foreign policy must be one which seeks world peace and the key to peace is closer cooperation with the Big Four, Foreign Minister Wang Shih-chieh declared at today's session of the People's Political Council.

Minister Wang made this statement in reply to verbal interpellations received from PPC members, one of whom advocated an open anti-Soviet policy.

This Councillor, Mr. Hsieh States said, both financial and material, he stated. During the past year, only one tenth of China's cotton requirement was home produced while wheat production was also low. He said that the Shanghai textile corporations without United States assistance would be closed today.

He revealed that negotiations and discussions were now in progress with the United States Government over US\$500,000,000 post-UNRRA relief programme (under which China will benefit with certain European nations) and a US\$20,000,000 credit for the improvement of Sino-American cultural relations.

He gave the assurance that if the \$500,000,000 loan is granted, China would use it only for rehabilitation and production purposes in order to stabilise its people's livelihood.

Return Of H.H.

In an address at the beginning of the PPC meeting, the Foreign Minister reported on relations with the Big Four, Japan.

Commenting on Sino-British relations, Mr. Wang reported that the main obstacle in the way of seeking closer cooperation with her former allies, Britain, the United States, U.S.S.R. and France, and working with them towards an amicable settlement of international relations.

The Soviet Union has assured China that the taking over of Taiwan and Port Arthur will not be obstructed, that safety will be guaranteed to administrative personnel who enter and that China's police may enter the areas. Minister Wang announced. However, discussions were still in progress.

AUSTIN ROAD HOLD-UP

Leung Kin-sheung, a factory manager, reported to the police that he was held up, assaulted and robbed in Austin Road near Gun Club Hill by two Europeans at 8.30 last evening. The Europeans were described as wearing white shirts and blue trousers. Leung was robbed of \$63 in cash, a Waltham wrist-watch and two fountain pens.

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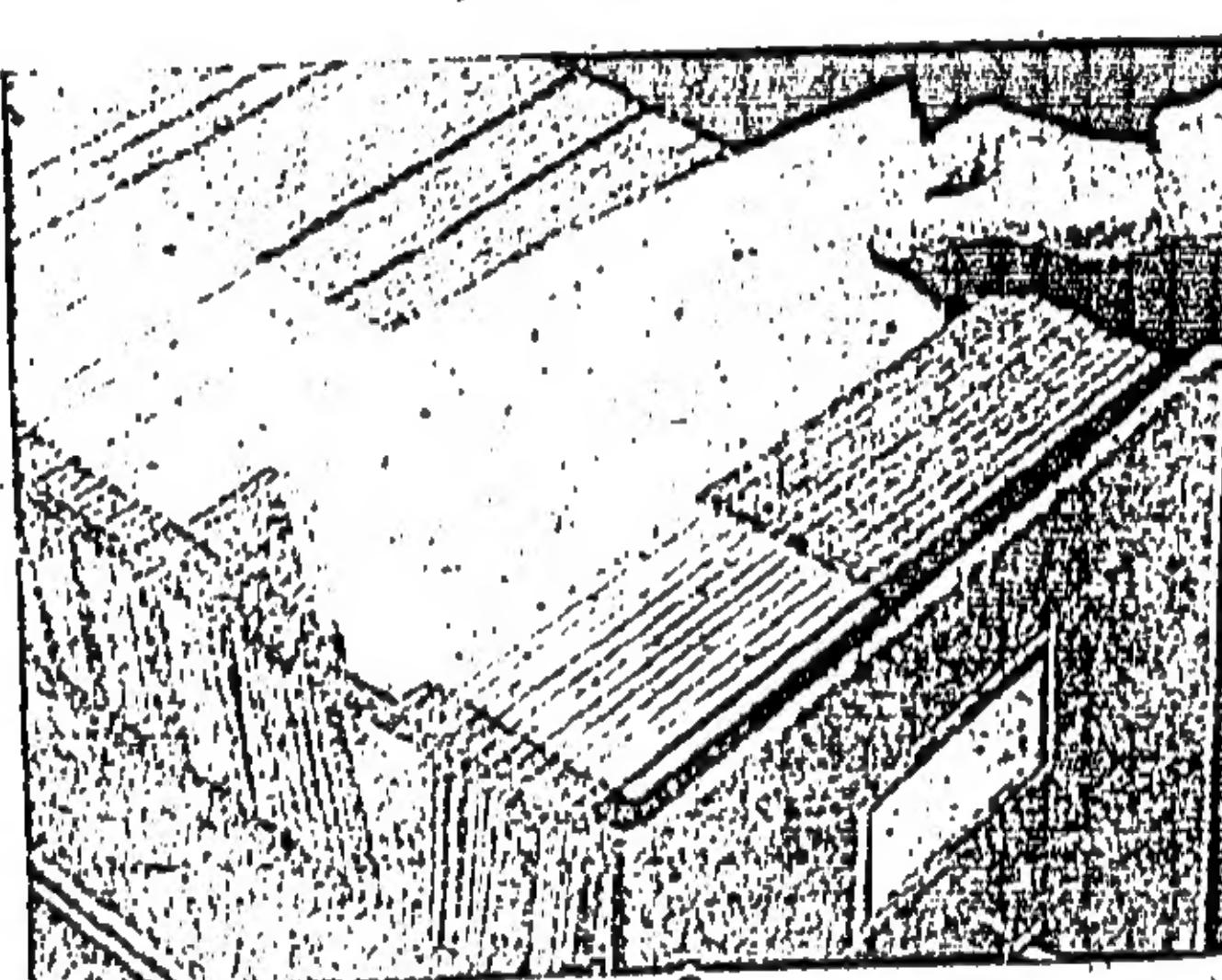
Coming Events

May 24—H.K. & Yunnan Ferries, annual meeting, noon.
May 24-26 Whiteman Race meeting.
May 26—H.K. Realty & Trust Co., annual meeting, noon.
May 29—H.K. Tramways Ltd., annual meeting, Jardine's offices, noon.
May 31—China Provident annual and extraordinary meetings, Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, noon.
May 31—China Emporium annual meeting, 3 p.m.
June 9—H.K. & Whampoa Docks, extraordinary meeting, noon.
June 27 Indo-China S.N. Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, noon.

TO BE WED

The forthcoming wedding of William George Morrison, Yau-mati Police Station, to Miss Jean Tatnall, en route to Hong Kong by the s.s. "Empress of Scotland" is announced.

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Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLURE.

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The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close each day at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Bay, (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$5. each day including tax for all persons including children and is payable at the Gate.

Smoking, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the premises of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Boys, waiters, ONLY, on application to the Secretary, in Oliver Exchange Building.

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C. E. BROWNE
Secretary

Hong Kong Jockey Club

Urban Council Ordinance

Yesterday's session of Legislative Council was presided over by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Mr. D. M. MacDougall, C.M.G.).

Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, Acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs, was sworn in as a member of Council.

The Attorney General (Mr. J. B. Griffin) moved the first, second and third reading of the Bill to amend the Urban Council (Transitional Provisions) Ordinance 1946.

He said:

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"A THREAT TO WORLD PEACE"

British Labour Groups Condemn U.S. Aid To Greece And Turkey

Margate Conference Resolution

London, May 21. Five divisional Labour parties announced today that they would ask the annual conference of Britain's majority Labour Party to condemn American aid to Greece and Turkey as a threat to world peace.

Their emergency resolution also demands United Nations investigation of American policy in Turkey on the grounds that this policy tends to produce international friction.

They said they would ask for a direct slap at the Labour Government. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, already is on record as welcoming American aid to Greece and Turkey.

The text of the resolution was as follows:

"Firstly, this conference notes that President Truman's decision to give military and economic assistance to Greece and Turkey was taken without consulting the British Government and in the regard of the obligations of the United Nations Charter.

"Secondly, it is firmly of the opinion that the methods and purposes of this policy constitute a menace to world peace and are a negation of the democratic principles for the preservation of which the brave sacrifices of the last war were made."

"Thirdly, believes that American policy in Turkey should be a subject for investigation under Article 34 of the (United Nations) Charter as tending to produce international friction."

"Fourthly, urges Government to propose to the Security Council that aid to Greece be given only in accordance with a plan drawn up by the Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations and that Britain, the United States, and the Soviet Union should jointly help the Greek people to stamp out Fascism as the three powers undertook to do at Teheran and Yalta."

"Fifthly, demands the immediate withdrawal from Greece of British police and military missions, as well as remaining British troops."

Slap At Bevin

Adoption of the resolution

"We Provide The Men"

London, May 22. The Labour party declares that it is willing to accept a global foreign policy to fit the gibe that "America provides the money while we provide the men."

"That suits us better than providing both the men and the money," the party said in a booklet called "Cards on the Table," a phrase used repeatedly by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin.

In an admitted answer to leftist Labour critics who contend that Britain clings too close to United States policies and shoves the Russians away, the book says "the Labour government does not propose to take sides in a line up for the next World War"

Reviewing Big Three relations, the booklet observes that for a Russia which foresees a struggle with America, Britain was not a possible ally, for Britain could not under any circumstances adopt a policy which might lead to war against America.

Apart from all other considerations, it observed that "Britain depends entirely on supplies imported by sea and could be defeated in a few weeks by the American fleet 'which—it noted—is now six times as big' as Britain's fleet."

The booklet was designed partly to disarm critics who are shaping a heavy attack against Bevin's policies on the floor of next week's annual party conference at Margate.

"The aim of Anglo-American understanding is to prevent war by proving to Russia that an aggressive anti-British policy is doomed to frustration," it said.

It noted on the other hand, that "as long as Britain plays a decisive part in the defence

Pound Of Flesh

Wellington, N.Z., May 21. The Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, today expressed regret that Egypt, Iraq and other countries were trying to "squeeze" Britain for every penny she owed, without considering what Britain had done for them."

Mr. Fraser told a by-election crowd at Avon that if it had not been for Britain's action in the war, "Mussolini would be ruling in Cairo and Hitler would be astride Iraq".

He said New Zealand would not join in the "stupid cry" that Britain was down and out.

"Britain will never be down and out!" Mr. Fraser said—United Press.

"JANE"



OPPOSITION TOLD OF PLAN FOR INDIA

London, May 21.

(By Fraser Wighton) The Prime Minister and the Viceroy of India have informed the Conservative Opposition of the plan of procedure for the transfer of power which the Viceroy will lay before the conference of Indian leaders at Delhi on June 2, I learn authoritatively today.

Mr. Attlee and Lord Mountbatten outlined the proposals to the Conservative leader, Mr. Churchill, his deputy, Mr. Eden, and the House of Lords Conservative leader, Lord Cranborne, in the Prime Minister's room at the House of Commons.

The Prime Minister will also inform the orthodox Liberal Party leader, Mr. Clement Davis, of the proposals for procedure. It is emphasised that the Opposition has been "informed" and not "consulted."

The American position was made clear in an apparent answer to Russia's Andrei Gromyko's new demand for a United Nations treaty prohibiting atomic weapons and "other weapons of mass destruction" without awaiting the inspection and control machinery desired by the United States.

Official sources say the United States will continue to insist that a fool-proof atomic control system must be adopted before the United Nations tries to tackle the even more complex problem of preventing bacteriological or chemical warfare.

The differing American and Russian positions were stiffened by Gromyko's intent rejection of the United States proposal which confronted the Atomic Energy Commission as it met for the first time in exactly one month for another attempt to whittle down Russian resistance.—United Press.

The spokesman described the report as completely untrue, adding: "This suggestion was the resurrection of a similar story that crept out without the slightest possible foundation a fortnight ago."

The spokesman added: "It may be taken as definite that when the Viceroy returns to Delhi from London he will carry with him the clear view and authority of the British Government to act on his own initiative in the immediate future in the light of the agreed British policy decision."

According to present arrangements, the special meeting of the full Cabinet on Friday

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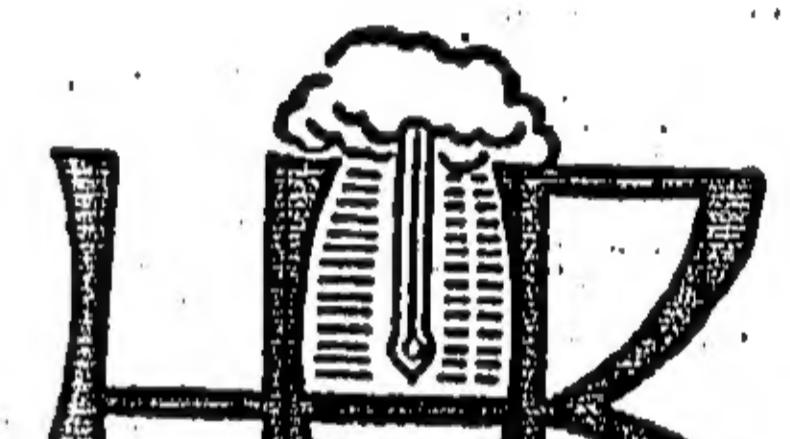
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Jinnah Calls For An Alliance

(By Doon Campbell)

Mohammed Ali Jinnah, President of the Moslem League, called for an alliance between Pakistan and Hindustan here tonight.

Interviewed as the British Cabinet was putting into final form its plans for the transfer of power to India next year, Dr. Jinnah explained what the separate state of Pakistan demanded by the Moslem League would mean to India and the rest of the world.

Points made by Dr. Jinnah were:

1. The Moslem League will demand a corridor through Hindustan to connect the two groups of Pakistani provinces in northwestern and northeastern India.

2. The League will "fight every inch of the way" against the partition of Bengal and the Punjab.

3. "A really healthy" relationship can be established between Pakistan and Britain.

4. The Government of Pakistan would be "popular and representative."

5. Pakistan would seek membership in the United Nations.

The friendly and reciprocal relationship between the main factions should promote their mutual interests, Dr. Jinnah told me. He added: "That is why I have been urging that we separate in a friendly way and remain friends thereafter."

"All the armed forces," he continued, "must be divided completely, but I do envisage

an alliance, pact or treaty between Pakistan and Hindustan, again in the mutual interest of both and against any aggressive outsider."

Partition

I asked him whether he favoured a federation of Pakistani states, even if there is to be partition of the Punjab and Bengal.

"The new clamour for partition that has been started by a vocal section of Caste Hindus in Bengal and by the Sikhs in particular will have disastrous results if these two provinces are partitioned, and the Sikhs in the Punjab will be the greatest sufferers," he said. "The Caste Hindus will suffer most in western Bengal and eastern Punjab."

"The idea of partition is not only thoughtless and baseless, but, in my opinion, it will be a grave error and will prove dangerous immediately and far more so in the future. Immediately it will lead to bitterness and to an unfriendly attitude between eastern Bengal and western Bengal, and the same will be the case with a torn Punjab."

"Partition, if effected, will no doubt weaken Pakistan to a certain extent. A weak Pakistan and a strong Hindustan will be a temptation for the strong Hindustan to try to dictate," added Dr. Jinnah.—Reuter.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Ordinary Yearly General
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will be held in the Jacobean
Room of the Hongkong Hotel,
Pedder Street, Hongkong on
Saturday, the 31st May 1947, at
Noon for the following purposes,
namely, to consider the annual
statement of accounts and
the balance sheet, and the
reports of the Directors and
Auditors thereon, to elect Di-
rectors and Auditors in the place
of those retiring, to declare a
dividend and bonus, to appro-
priate the balance of Profit and
Loss Accounts as recommended
by the Directors, and to
transact any other ordinary
business of the Company.

And, NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the Share Transfer Re-
gisters will be closed from 20th
May, 1947 to 31st May, 1947,
both date inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. D. LEARMONT, Secretary
Hongkong, 6th May, 1947.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Jacobean Room, Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 31st May 1947, at 12.15 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Annual Meeting to be held at Noon on that date shall have been concluded) for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the subjoined resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:-

"That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$10,000,000.—by the creation of One Million Two Hundred Thousand additional new shares of Five Dollars each to be issued at such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may think fit."

By Order of the Board,
A. D. LEARMONT, Secretary
Hongkong, 12th May, 1947.

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Lot No. 5 "J" Type Launch (No. J.86)
Lot No. 6 "J" Type Launch (No. J.87)
Lot No. 7 "D" Type Tug (No. 199)

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Lot. No. 11 10 foot Dinghy (No. 2370)
Lot. No. 12 10 foot Dinghy (No. 497)
Lot. No. 13 18 foot Boat Drifter (No. N/N/6)
Lot. No. 14 30 foot Cutter Pulling (No. N/N/7)
Lot. No. 15 24 foot Life Boat (No. 888)
Lot. No. 16 24 foot Life Boat (No. N/N/8)
Lot. No. 17 36 foot Harbour Launch (No. 44272)
Lot. No. 18 10 foot Dinghy (No. 2369)
Lot. No. 19 10 foot Dinghy (No. 1840)
Lot. No. 20 14 foot Dinghy (No. N/N/9)
Lot. No. 21 16 foot Drifter (No. N/N/10)
Lot. No. 22 16 foot Motor Boat (No. 726)
Lot. No. 23 27 foot Whaler (No. 4250)
Lot. No. 24 23 foot Life Boat (No. 29810).

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5. The \$100.00 deposit made by contractors not eventually wishing to tender will be returnable against receipt in the Board's offices of the original Tender Form issued.

6. Closing date for tenders:—12 Noon, Thursday, 29th May, 1947.

7. The Chairman of the British Stores Disposal Board (Hong Kong) does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender.

WALTER M. WEINBERGER
Chairman,
BRITISH STORES DISPOSAL BOARD,
HONG KONG.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 29th day of May, 1947, at 12 o'clock Noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

And, NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the Regis-
ters of Members of the Company will be closed from the 10th day of May to the 11th day of June, 1947, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary

Hongkong, 6th May, 1947.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The SIXTY-SECOND OR-
DINARY ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING of the Company will be
held at the Offices of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson and Company,
Limited, Hongkong, on Friday,
27th June, 1947, at noon, for the
purpose of proposing and, if
thought fit passing the sub-
joined resolutions as a special
resolution, viz:-

That the Articles of Associa-
tion be altered in the manner
following:-

(a) Article 17 shall be can-
celled.

(b) In the third line of
Article 71 the word "two"
shall be substituted for
the word "three".

(c) The following Article shall
be substituted for Article
76 — "76. Subject to any
special terms as to voting
upon which any shares of
the Company may have
been issued or may for
the time being be held,
upon a show of hands
every member present in
person shall have one
vote, and upon a poll
every member present in
person or by proxy shall
have one vote for every
share held by him."

By Order of the Board,
R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong,
Dated this Ninth day of May,
1947.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Eighteenth Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., 18 Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on Saturday, the 24th May 1947 at 12.00 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December 1941 and for the period 16th September to 31st December 1940.

Notice is also given that the Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 15th May 1947 to the 24th May 1947, both days inclusive.

That the Articles of Association
be altered by cancelling
Articles 127 (a) and 127 (b)
and that the following Articles
be substituted:-

"127 (a) Any General Meeting
may resolve that any moneys investments
or other assets forming
part of the undivided profits of the
company or any unrealised
profits arising from revaluation
of any assets of the company
and standing to the credit of
any reserve or any capital
redemption reserve fund, or in
the hands of the company and available
for dividend or representing
premises received on
the issue of shares and standing to
the credit of the share
premium account, be capitalised
and distributed amongst
the shareholders as would be
entitled to receive the same if distributed
by way of dividend and in the same
proportions on the footing that they
become entitled thereto as capital and that
all or any part of such capitalised
profits or reserves be applied on behalf of
such shareholders in paying up in full
either at par or at such premium as the
resolution may provide, any unused
shares or debentures or debenture stock
of the company which shall be
distributed accordingly or in or towards
payment of the uncancelled liability
on any issued shares or debentures or
debenture stock, and that such distribution
or payment shall be accepted by
such shareholders in full satisfaction
of their interest in the said capitalised
profits or reserves."

If the above resolution is
duly passed as a special resolution
the following two resolutions will be proposed as ordinary resolutions respectively
viz:-

(1) That the authorised
Capital of the Company be increased to \$20,000,
000 by the creation of 8,
350,000 new shares of the
nominal value of \$5
each.

(2) That it is desirable to
capitalise a sum of HK\$6,500,000 being part
of the balance standing at the credit of the Fixed
Assets Revaluation Reserve of the company
and accordingly that such sum be hereby
capitalised, and that such capital sum be applied
on behalf of the persons who on the 23rd day of
May 1947 were the holders of the 650,000
issued shares of the company in payment in full
for 1,300,000 new shares of the company of the
nominal value of \$5 each, and that such 1,300,000 new shares
credited as fully paid be accordingly allotted to
such persons respectively in the proportion of two
of such new shares for every one of the said
issued shares then held by such persons respectively,
and that the shares so allotted shall be treated for all purposes as
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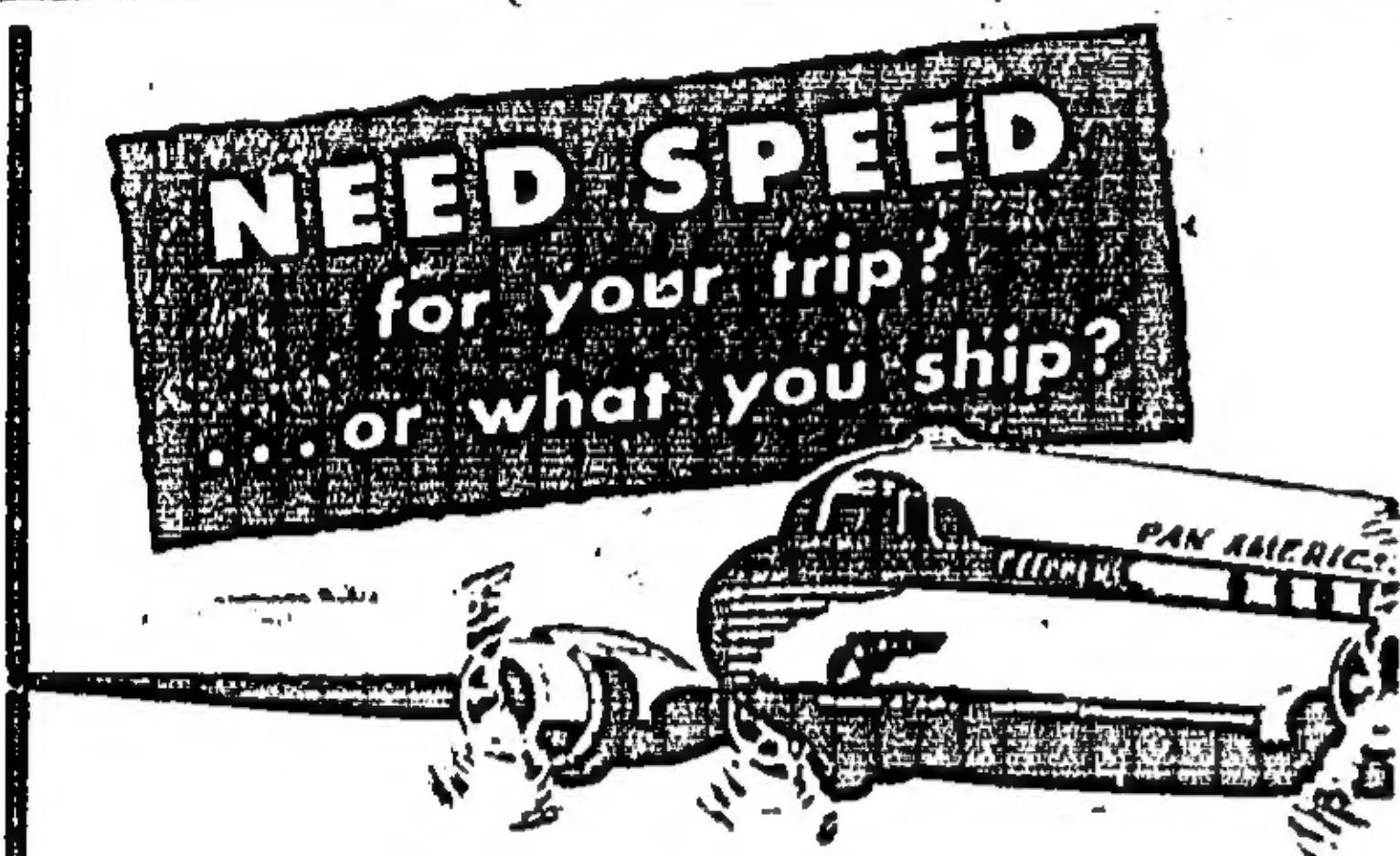
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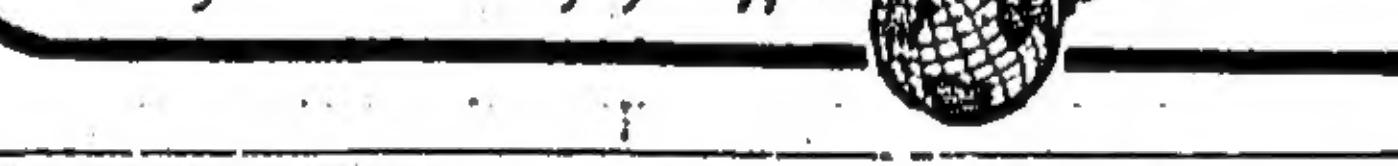
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BELATED

More than a tinge of irony attaches to the necessity for rushing through Legislative Council yesterday all stages of a Bill to legalise continued infringement upon one of the few existing constitutional privileges of the people of Hong Kong. The effect is to authorise Government to continue in breach of the provisions of the Urban Council Ordinance, which otherwise would require elections to be held to fill two vacancies on that body. It is not a matter calculated to arouse any great excitement. All things being equal, there is expectation that much more important elections, those which will provide members of the proposed Municipal Council, and which will be based upon a much more democratic franchise, will soon require to be organised, and the preservation in being of the existing caretaker Urban Council until such time as the Municipal Council is ready to take over its functions is hardly likely to disturb that apathy which is the distinguishing characteristic of the average approach. Approval of the course followed is, therefore, automatic. The event does, however, emphasise that the powers that be are an unconsciously long time making up their mind on what is good for this community. When the original bill was passed extending to May 25, 1947, the period during which the Urban Council could function without calling for an election, it was confidently assumed that the Municipal Council scheme would have been cut-and-dried, and the function of the Urban Council already absorbed into the larger organisation. The life of the amending Bill was twelve months and that period has lapsed without very obvious evidence that the Colony is much further advanced towards its, shall we say, emancipation. In fact, of course, progress has been made, but the discovery of the need for legislation to keep the record clean would be doubly ironic if it should fail to serve as a reminder that it is about time that a concentration of official brains gave birth to a workable idea.

DOLLAR DEARTH

Analysis of the American dollar position contained in another column is deserving of close study. The official prediction of the outlook for 1947 appears to be more than a little optimistic, and more strenuous efforts to meet the problem would seem to be required than are implied in the U.S. Treasury statement. Some comfort may be derived from indications in Washington and New York that American leadership fully realises the danger of widespread economic breakdown. Leading financial writers in the United States point to three related facts, 1. General Marshall's statement, that "disintegrating forces are at work in Europe"—that the "patient is dying while the doctors deliberate." 2. The fear that an international trade organisation may not materialise at Geneva out of failure to reconcile free enterprise with State trading monopolies. 3. Reports by American business men returning from Europe, which are said to be "gloomier every week." The feeling that the U.S. Government is considering definite action against the deteriorating world economic condition is heightened by the realisation that in the next 18 months American political parties will become involved in a Presidential election to the exclusion of all else. Experts believe the Government may first of all attempt the economic revival of Germany followed by a wholesale underwriting of Western Europe with American dollars and goods. Writing about "dangerous America" in the New York Herald Tribune, Joseph Alsop points out that the near-chronic dollar shortage in Europe, which he says, is being "invited" rather than "prevented" is now on the eve of engulfing Canada and Mexico. This would make it world-wide, appalling in its implications.

THE THREATENED WORLD ECONOMIC CRISIS

By E.L. SCHWARTZ,

Financial Editor of
the "Sunday Times"

Here is the broad picture. It is presented from the American angle, and is intended to assure the home producer that the world will be able to spend in the United States over \$16,000 millions in 1947, perhaps \$1,400 millions more than in 1946. This may be of some comfort to the American farmer, manufacturer or shipowner, who may thereby be led to reflect that even if there is a trade recession at home, his foreign markets will be maintained. The rest of the world, however, cannot regard these figures in the same way.

This left a deficit of \$8,133 millions. Lend-lease grants to U.N.R.R.A., supplies to occupied countries, and other Government grants provided for \$2,631 millions of this deficit, while loans by the United States Government and official agencies provided \$3,319 millions (drawings on the British credit line during 1946 are returned at \$600 million, equal to not quite \$1,000 million). The remaining margin of \$2,283 millions is covered by various long-term capital movements, inwards and outwards; by a net outflow of \$673 millions in respect of private remittances of funds; by gold imports of \$623 millions; and by an ominous figure of \$1,176 millions, representing additions to American balances abroad, and reductions in foreign balances held in the United States.

1947 Forecast

The forecast for 1947 is necessarily made in vague terms. It is expected, however, that higher import prices, a recovery in the productive capacity overseas and the maintenance of American expenditure abroad in respect of tourist and shipping services, will raise the world's total receipts from current trade with America from \$7,131 millions in 1946 to \$9,000 millions this year. Relief contributions by the United States authorities are likely to decline sharply from \$2,631 millions to \$1,600 millions. Official loans and credits are expected to rise from \$3,319 millions to \$4,000 millions. In other words, the United States authorities provide nearly the same amount of money in 1947 as in the previous year, but will be giving less and lending more.

Adding \$700 millions for private remittances, another \$700 millions for gold imports, and yet another \$700 millions for drafts upon foreign-owned dollar reserves, and it is estimated that during 1947 the world will have \$16,700 millions to spend on American goods and services. But from this must be deducted \$3,200 millions for interest payments on American capital and payments for American shipping and other services. This leaves \$13,500 millions for American goods.

Norwegian Loan

The position is that in 1947 the world, by its own labours, will pay for only 54 per cent. of what it obtains from the United States. How in future is it to pay for the remaining 46 per cent., without

either a drastic curtailment of exports from the United States, or an equally drastic switching of world production from the task of supplying its own needs to that of making goods for the United States? Either alternative threatens both the world's standard of living and the economic balance of the United States.

The most obvious solution is an increase in world productive capacity, financed largely by American capital. One such issue to the private investor appeared in New York towards the end of April. It consists of \$10,000,000 of ten-year Kingdom of Norway 3% per cent. bonds. It is the first post-war issue to be made for a European Government, and, if it succeeds, it should pave the way for other issues. An even more crucial test will be the success with which the new International Bank is able to borrow in Wall Street.

Finance provided in such a manner as to restore the borrowing countries' powers to produce and export, is the simplest long-term way of bridging the gap in the American trade balance.

U.S. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

1946	1947
Estd. Fore- cast, cost, (\$ millions)	
Exports from U.S.A. 12,140 13,500	
Earnings of U.S. ships, tourist traffic, etc. 2,513	
Income of U.S. in- vestments abroad 611	
Total Exports ... 15,204 16,700	
Imports into U.S.A. 5,204 6,700	
Payments to foreign ships and by U.S. tourists, etc. 1,694	
Income of foreign investments in 173	2,300
Total Imports ... 7,131 8,000	
Export Surplus ... 8,133 7,700	
U.S. Govt. grants — 2,531 1,000	
U.S. Govt. loans — 3,319 4,000	
Private remittances (net) 673 700	
Gold imports 623 700	
Drawings on short- term balances .. 1,176 700	
Long-term capital movements, etc. 169 —	
Total 8,133 7,700	

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He constantly helped younger players to recognize those situations in which you should count on your partner to have stopped in some unbid suit.

pointed out, "one in clubs, two in hearts and in spades two or perhaps three, if you want to count them as three. If I had my partner's holding in either spades or hearts, we would have taken two more tricks and you couldn't even have made a game, much less a slam."

East chimed in then, "What's the matter with the imagination of you fellows?" he asked. "South should have counted on North to have clubs probably stopped and should have called 3-No Trumps instead of 3-Diamonds, and North should have raised to 3-No Trumps. But after his 3-Diamonds, North should have counted on South to stop hearts and should have bid 3-No Trumps. Good imagination would have been logical in view of what else the bidder held. Note that if either hearts or spades broke well, the No Trump game was sure, whereas both suits had to break for a diamond game to be made."

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(Dealer: South. East-West vul-

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Against South's 6-Spades, West

led the heart A, then the spade

9. How should South play for it?

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The magazine will be called

"Socialist World" and will

be published quarterly in Eng-

lish, French and Czech. It is

hoped to include later Polish, Spanish and Scandinavian language issues and it will be published by the International division of the British Labour Party.

Actual ownership rests in the recently formed Federation of Socialist Parties. Editorial for the time being is British.

It is learned features of the first issue will include a discussion of the prospects for a third political party in the United States.—United Press.

London, May 20.

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MORE JEWISH TERRORISM
Haganah Raids On Arab Villages**"Friendly Relations"**

The British authorities announced today that a number of incidents between Jews and Arabs—the first since the bloody outbreaks of 1939—occurred last night in the Petah area.

The official announcement followed by many hours a communiqué from Haganah (Jewish underground army) in which full credit was taken for the raid on the Arab village of Feja. The Haganah communique claimed from five to seven Arabs killed and said the leader of the Jewish raiding party was wounded fatally. The British announcement said one Arab was killed and three others wounded after a group of Jews entered a Feja cafe. As they left, the Jews dropped mines which detonated and wrecked the establishment.

A Jewish watchman was held up and disarmed by a gang of Arabs, who killed his horse.

The third incident occurred between Petah-Tikvah and Yehudiyah village, where 25 armed Jews fired a number of shots, killing one Arab and leaving a mine in the vicinity. Special police action is being taken.

Letter To The Press

Reports from Tel Aviv say the Haganah communique was accompanied by a covering letter to newspaper editors, which proclaimed that the Feja attack was "not a political act of the Jewish resistance movement."

The letter said the underground "felt that it was time to eradicate the bands of bandits and murderers who killed Jewish settlers."

"Enemies of the Jews will try to foster Arab-Jewish clashes after the United Nations Commission leaves Palestine, but the Jewish resistance movement is set upon maintaining friendly relations with the Arabs," the letter said.

Villagers Angry
A United Press correspondent from the Tel Aviv office who visited Feja found the villagers "angry and excited" and firm in their belief that Arab reprisals would be forthcoming.

The village sheikh said he saw a score of Jews arrive near the cafe, in which there were

**SOVIET COAL
OUTPUT**

Moscow, May 21. Soviet coal output increased by 470 per cent between 1913 and 1940, while Britain's output dropped 23 per cent, the Academy, Mr. L.D. Chernyakov, head of the Soviet Research Institute, said in an interview today, quoted by Moscow Radio.

Soviet coal mines are now 100 per cent electrified, he added. He asserted that the present five-year plan was to increase production—which was 166,000,000 tons in 1940—to 250,000,000 tons by 1960 and to 500,000,000 tons in a further ten to fifteen years.—Reuter.

**Modern
Georgie
Porgie**

Paris, May 21. The nursery rhyme reads: "Georgie Porgie kissed the girls and made them cry." But the real life version — 13-year-old Georges — was not satisfied with kisses.

Georges, a little man who is big for his age both physically and in his ideas, lives in the little town of Millancay in the Loir et Cher region, famous for its wines.

Georges, whom French newspaper reports from Millancay call "the little satyr," was the "terror of the village."

The police today reported that little Georges had chased, molested, and "perhaps" in some instances, attacked all the young girls—from eight to eighteen—in his town.—United Press.

**Marshall
Disagrees**

WASHINGTON, MAY 21. SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE C. MARSHALL TODAY MADE IT PLAIN HE FAVOURS CONTINUING THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF BLOW BY BLOW NEWS REPORTS OF MEETINGS OF THE BIG FOUR FOREIGN MINISTERS.

Mr. Bevin told the House of Commons last week that one of the great handicaps of international negotiations is that "every word which is said is reported by the press."

Gen. Marshall said at a conference today that the Foreign Ministers twice tried secret sessions in Moscow, both of which were wholly unproductive.

He considers general press coverage of conferences to be very important.

Because the proceedings were fully reported, Gen. Marshall said, it was true that there were probably more appeals to passion and prejudice rather than logic, than there would be otherwise. But, he added, the cure is not suppression of coverage but better appeals to "passion and intelligence." Associated Press.

**THEY GOT
THE POINT**

Vienna, May 21. Two deaf mutes, Franz Elend and Hermann Riegel, were sentenced to death today for murdering a Vienna couple and ransacking their home.

As the court pronounced sentence, their nurse crooked her arms over her breast to make them understand. They underrated.

United Press.

Tokyo Gets
A Shaking

Tokyo, May 21. The people of Tokyo were rudely awakened just before five o'clock this morning by a heavier than usual tremor, which sent lamps swinging and broke crockery in some of the city's more flimsily constructed buildings.

Later, it was learned Haganah also carried out a raid on the Arab village of Yehudiyah, not far from Feja. Three Arabs were reported killed and several wounded.

Since the big earthquake in December, which caused casualties and destruction in southern Japan, there have been scores of minor routine tremors, which usually pass unnoticed by the populace.—Reuter.

**Staff Man
Visits
Changchun**

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Shanghai, May 21. Communist activity has increased recently in North China and Manchuria, and a visit to Manchuria gives a less rosy picture of the military situation than official reports indicate.

On Sunday when I was in Changchun—which even Nationalist quarters call "The Front"—the Communists seized the airfield four miles from the centre of the town and were only driven off after a day of fighting and bombing by Government planes.

The raid caused considerable alarm in the city and martial law was declared.

Returning to Mukden, I found the railway connection to Peiping interrupted because the Communists had seized Changchun station, west of Shanhaikuan, and fighting was proceeding.

Purpose of this raid was probably to delay reinforcements which are being sent to Manchuria.

According to Chinese press reports, the Communists have seized Kunghulung, a large town on the South Manchuria Railway between Mukden and Changchun.

It is also unconfirmedly reported that Kirin, east of Changchun, has fallen.

The overall military picture is that of the Nationalist forces on the defensive, holding with difficulty long railway lines owing to insufficient forces.—Our Own Correspondent.

**EDGAR HOOVER
SEES RED**

Washington, May 22. Director J. Edgar Hoover, of the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, says that "Communists have penetrated every field of activity in this country."

He told a House of Representatives Appropriations Sub-Committee that for every one of 74,000 Communist party members there are "ten other individuals who are ready to do the party's work."

He said that Communists have gone into the cinema, radio and newspaper fields, labour organisations and "every field of endeavour in this country," and that "penetration has been intensified over the last seven years."

But Mr. Hoover said he did not think "we are going to have a revolution in this country tomorrow." The FBI chief testified at hearings on a bill providing expense money for the Justice Department. The bill was approved and has been sent to the House for action.

Mr. Hoover also informed the Sub-Committee that:

1. FBI fingerprinting activities are so far behind 2,891,831 prints—that identifying applications for jobs for private and commercial organisations has been stopped and the checking of prints of unknown dead persons may have to be discontinued. Many people with "criminal records" and of questionable loyalty" may now get jobs in strategic industries and "might do harm."

Major Crimes

2. Major crimes increased 7.0 per cent in 1940 over 1945. There were 13 kidnappings in the last six months of 1940, as many as in the entire preceding year.

3. The FBI started this year with 63,308 cases waiting investigation. The Bureau is 48 per cent delinquent on its investigations but "top priority" cases are not necessarily for their geographic location."

Marzani went to work for the Office of Strategic Services (American Intelligence) on March 7, 1942, five weeks before the raiders struck.—Associated Press.

**Women's Part In
Britain's Plight**

London, May 20. The women of Great Britain must be told in plain and simple language what they must do to help the country out of its crisis, speakers at the Advertising Association Conference at Margate said today.

In London, Sir Stafford Cripps, President of the Board of Trade, told an audience of women at the huge Albert Hall in plain and simple language what they must do.

Mrs. Amy Pearce, speaker at the advertising conference, said it was no use simply telling the housewife that Britain was "up against it"—slogans of posterity now appearing all over the country.

"She must be told what she must do and the effect of her effort, and she must be told in a friendly way," she declared. "Ask them for their help in a way they can best give it, which is by putting themselves behind their families, of which they are the motivating force."

Credit At The Grocer's

Sir Stafford Cripps, addressing members of the National Federation of Women's Institutes, compared the national position with that of a family living on credit at the local grocer's shop.

He suggested saving imports by producing more food in gardens and allotments and saving production by salvaging bottles,

paper and other needed things. It is really a terrible thought that we have to spend hard-earned foreign currency to buy materials for paper-making when hundreds of thousands of tons of waste paper are being thrown away in the declared Reuter.

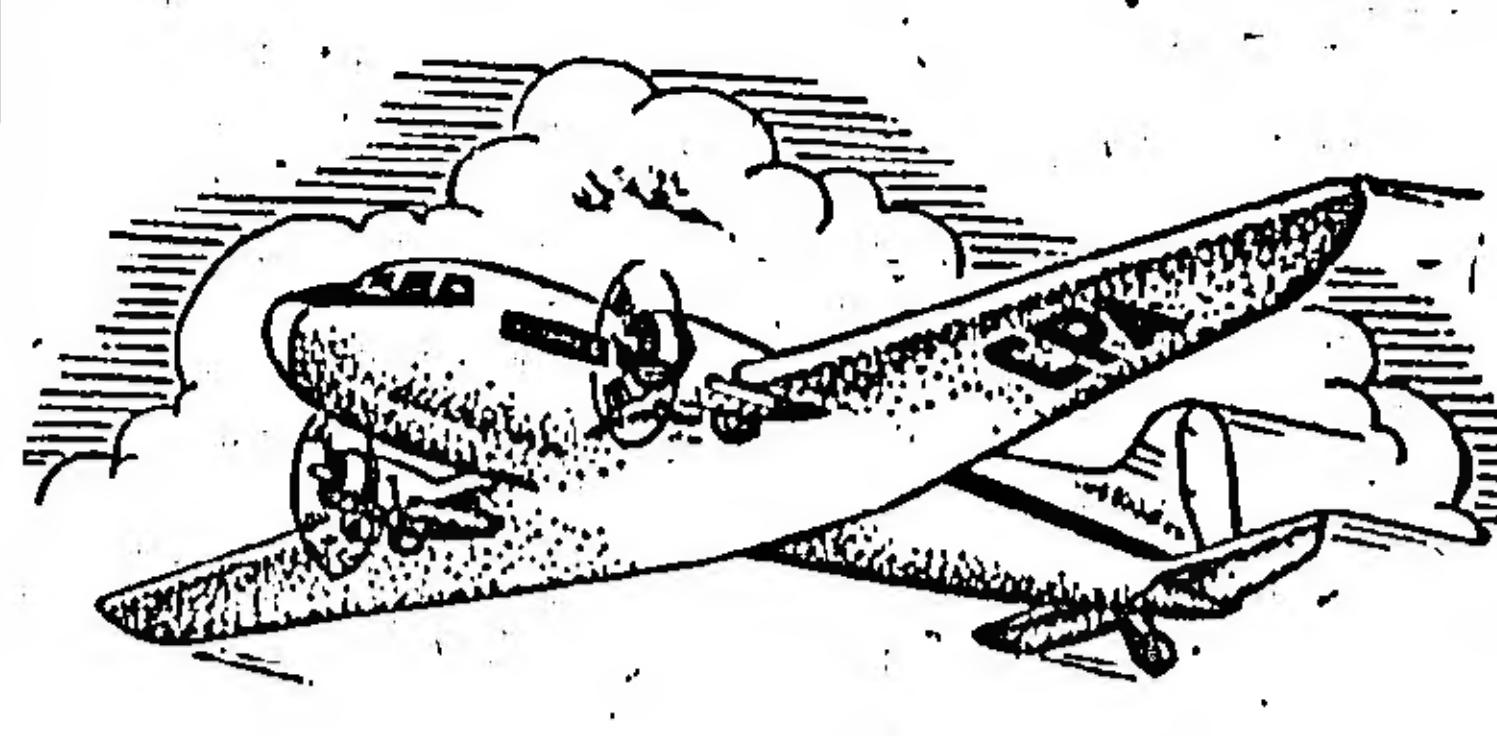
**CHINA AND
I.F.A.P.**

Scheveningen, May 21. Although China is already a member of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation it could with benefit also become a member of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers which aim at settling the world food programme and in seeking the welfare of all mankind.

Mr. Sze Sung-si, First Secretary of the Chinese Embassy at The Hague, who is attending the IFAP's first annual conference here as an observer, will make this recommendation to his government.

He said today that "I admire very much the creation of this Federation, by far sighted and human-loving British farmers who wish to promote the well-being of all who obtain a livelihood from the soil."

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**AMERICAN SURVEY OF WORLD
ECONOMIC CONDITIONS**

Washington, May 21.
United States experts will consult foreign Governments in an exhaustive survey of world economic conditions now being carried out by the State Department with a view to a possible future foreign aid programme, Mr. John W. Snyder, Secretary for the Treasury, disclosed today.

Mr. Snyder told a press conference that his own Treasury experts as well as the "National Advisory Council"—a committee consisting of the Secretaries of the State Department and the Treasury and Commerce Departments which rules on foreign aid policy—will cooperate with General George Marshall's own committee in this project.

General Marshall said yesterday that pending the completion of the study he could foresee no further request for foreign financial aid being submitted to Congress.

Mr. Snyder today reiterated that the United States Government had received no request from Britain.

"No Comment"

He refused to comment on the editorial in the influential New York "Journal of Commerce" which declared:

"Britain will clearly have to seek new dollar credits before the end of next year if her reconstruction programme, contemplated when the loan was granted, is to be completed."

The editorial suggested the United States Government, the World Bank or private channels as possible sources for new British credits.—Reuter.

London Stock Market

London, May 21.
The stock market finished irregular today, failing to live up to its earlier promise. Industrials generally held firm while gilt-edged recorded a number of small gains.

Japanese rallied among foreigners but Europeans sagged.

Chileans were unaffected by the Finance Minister's statement concerning the consideration of foreign debt to buy Chilean credit prestige abroad.

Cape selling resulted in easier conditions in Kassis and coverers while oils were irregular throughout.

The behaviour of foreign rails was erratic. Brazilians were again the focus of attention but failed to maintain initial gains except Leopoldina debentures which finished five points up at 80.

Tone and rubbers fluctuated narrowly.—Reuter.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, May 21.
The "Surprise" has arrived from Okinawa; the "President Taft" and "Henry J. Raymond" sailed on Tuesday for Taku Bar; and the "Steel Fabricator" for Saigon.—Associated Press.

FORD CO. STRIKE

Detroit, May 21.

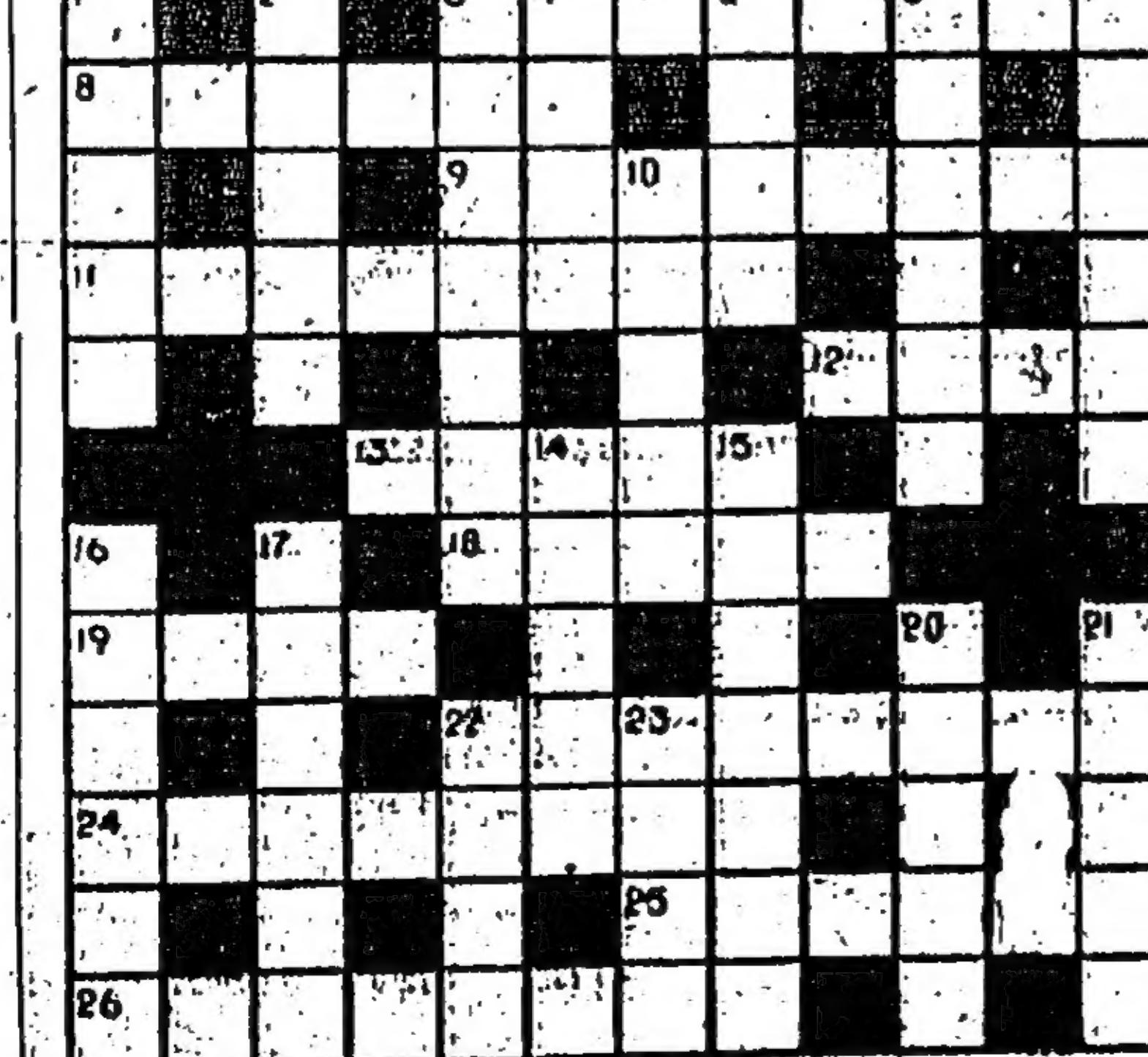
Foremen in the Detroit auto plants of the Ford Motor Co. struck today for new contract concessions in the first union authorized walkout at the Ford works since the end of the war.

President Robert H. Keay, of the Foremen's Association of America, said the stoppage there of 800 supervisory workers would close the plants "in three or four days at the most," idling 90,000 workers.—United Press.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, May 21.

There was considerable activity in the silver market today in consequence of a prominent recent seller appearing as a keen buyer, forcing bears to cover. Gold responded moderately.—Reuter.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE**Clues Across**

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Chamber Of Commerce Delegation In Canton

Twelve members of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce returned from Canton yesterday where they had been entertained by the United Chambers of Commerce of Kwangtung and the Canton Municipal Chamber of Commerce.

The group were returning via the Goodwill mission of the Canton Chamber in March.

Arriving in Canton Tuesday, Chamber members were received and entertained during their visit by General Chang Fa-kwei, Governor Lo Choy-ying and the mayor, Lieut. General Au Yang-chu. They were welcomed by J.L. Murray, British Press Attaché, representing R.A. Hall, consul-general; Ho Tsap-ping, chairman of the Canton Chamber of Commerce; and representatives of the governor and mayor.

Hong Kong representatives were Messrs. R.D. Gillespie, R.Y. Frost, N.O.C. Marsh, P.S. Cassidy, J.A. Blackwood, H. Owen Hughes, M.H. Lo, A.L.S. Read, Dunn Rutledge, W.M. Simons, C.E. Terry, Sze Wing and J.B. Kite, secretary.

Former deputy director of UNRRA in Italy, Mr. Cleveland is a graduate of Princeton University and later studied at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar. Before joining UNRRA he was executive director of the Allied Economic Commission in Italy. For his work with the commission he was awarded the Medal of Freedom.

General Edgerton, on special loan to UNRRA by the U.S. Army, will leave at an as yet undisclosed date. Originally scheduled to go in March, the UNRRA director's tour of duty was extended by the War Department at the request of UNRRA.

Other new arrivals to the UNRRA office in China include Edwin R. Henson, director of the organization's agricultural division in Washington, and John N. Gilbert, Pacific Coast and Alaskan fisheries expert.

Wednesday morning the party paid a round of official calls beginning with General Chang Fa-kwei and proceeding to Governor Lo Choy-ying and, later, Mayor Au Yang-chu.

Next function was a luncheon in the historic 100-year-old Chamber headquarters given by the United Municipal and Pre-

fectural Chambers. The group was addressed by Ho Tsap-ping, chairman, who stressed the importance of closer commercial cooperation between the two cities.

Mentioning the depreciation of the Chinese currency, import regulations, exchange control and exchange requirements in export trade as principal obstacles to the full restoration of trade, Mr. Ho said he hoped restrictions would be considerably relaxed in the near future.

Mr. Gillespie replied that he looked forward to the time "when full scope could be given to the development of trade between the two parts."

Return To Pre-war

The high-light of the visit was the banquet given by General Chang Fa-kwei, Governor Lo Choy-ying and Mayor Au Yang-chu. This took place in the spacious dining room of the Provincial Guest House—a fine modern building set in delightful wood grounds. A representative gathering of about fifty, including the leaders of the official and commercial communities, was addressed first by General Chang Fa-kwei, and then by Governor Lo, following the recently-adopted custom of having six speeches at the start of a dinner.

Governor Lo again made it clear that the urgent desire of official circles in Canton was that commercial relations with Hong Kong should be put on a healthy and reciprocal basis.

In his reply, Mr. Gillespie assured the company that business interests in Hong Kong were only too anxious to see a return to trade conditions such as prevailed before the war. He pointed out that the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce was an international organization working for the development of trade which knew no national boundaries.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Peninsula Hotel arrivals (Wednesday)—Michael Gould, Mr. W. K. Lloyd, W. H. Walter, Jean de Castro, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Munro.

The following passengers embarked at Southampton in the "Dunera" on May 1 for Hong Kong:

Mr. J. Arnett; Mr. E. C. Bedford; Mrs. E. H. Bell; Mr. D. R. Bowen; Mrs. M. Black; Mrs. N. B. C. Cochran; Mrs. F. E. Coombes; Miss P. M. Coombes; Mrs. G. Calvert; Mr. W. A. Calvert; Mrs. P. A. Calvert; Mr. W. A. Dickin; Mrs. Dickin; Mr. J. Dick; Mr. C. H. Eneas; Mr. G. J. Gaffall; Mr. G. H. Goodliffe; Mr. C. H. Harvey; Mrs. L. D. Hellier; Mrs. M. P. Jones; Mr. R. Jones; Mr. W. L. Kilb; Mr. F. H. Kipps; Mrs. K. L. Little; Mr. F. W. Martin; Mr. F. T. Quinn; Mr. G. C. Smith; Mr. A. J. Thompson; Mr. G. S. Watson; Mrs. Watson.

On his appearing before Mr. Blair-Kerr yesterday, So Ping, the keeper, was fined a total of \$230 for keeping the den and for possession of 2.6 mace of prepared opium. Three of the smokers arrested by a Police party headed by SI Andrews, five appeared in Court and were fined \$15 each. The absentee had his ball of \$25 estreated.

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On the application of the prosecuting officer, notice of the conviction will be served on him.

Li Hung, charged with keeping a den at 27 Shantung Street, first floor, and possession of opium, did not surrender his ball of \$200. Of the six smokers arrested by a Police party headed by SI Andrews, five appeared in Court and were fined \$15 each. The absentee had his ball of \$25 estreated.

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URGENT APPEAL

Vienna, May 20.
The Austrian Cabinet decided today to make urgent representations to the Allied Commission in Austria and the Governments of Rumania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Hungary concerning the continued stream of refugees—the majority of them Jews—from these countries into Austria.

The Socialist Minister of Interior informed the Cabinet that these Jews were seeking refuge in Austria, and while Austrian people had every sympathy for them they could not understand why Austria should be still further burdened by the continuing influx.—Reuters.

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